

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 220

By Eldridge

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Virginia Conger upon being named the 2014 Altrusa International Woman of the Year.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those citizens who, through their extraordinary efforts, have distinguished themselves as community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such noteworthy person is Virginia Conger, who was recently named the 2014 Altrusa International Woman of the Year and was presented this award at Altrusa International of Jackson's annual banquet, held at Union University; and

WHEREAS, a nonprofit organization whose primary goal is to promote literacy within elementary schools, Altrusa International bestows this prestigious honor on a woman, selected by an anonymous committee, who is active in her community, serves in leadership roles, and meets the additional requirements of being a local resident and a nonmember of Altrusa; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Conger was selected for this honor for her community involvement and volunteer efforts, including serving as a surrogate parent for children in custody of the Department of Children's Services, mentoring high school seniors for Madison Achieves, baking desserts for the homeless, and sewing for the Threads of Love program; and

WHEREAS, she also serves as elder, Sunday School teacher, and Bible Study teacher at First Presbyterian Church; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Conger was a teacher in the Jackson–Madison County public schools for twenty-seven years; she was also the first lady of Jackson during her husband's tenure as mayor; and

WHEREAS, she is a source of inspiration and empowerment for many in her community; and

WHEREAS, Virginia Conger epitomizes the spirit and commitment that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby congratulate Virginia Conger on being named the 2014 Altrusa International Woman of the Year, commend her meritorious service to Tennessee, and extend to her our best wishes for every continued success in all her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.